LEON VALLEY PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 12, 2013

The Leon Valley Park Commission met on the 12th day of November, 2013 at 7 p.m. at the Leon Valley City Council Chambers, at 6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, Texas, for the purpose of the following business, to-wit:

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LEON VALLEY PARK COMMISSION November 12, 2013, 7:00 PM

1. Call the Leon Valley Park Commission Meeting to Order and Determine a Quorum is Present.

Chairman Bert Thomas called the regular Park Commission meeting to order. Present were Commissioners Bill Cooper, Scott Baird, John Stanley, and Benay Cacciatore. Absent and excused was Commissioners Linda Tarin and Tom Fraser. Also present was City Staff Member Melinda Smith, resident Monica Alcocer, and guest Mr. Jess Swaim, P.E. of IDS Engineering Group. Let the record show that a quorum was present.

2. Consider Approval of the October 15, 2013 regular meeting minutes.

Commissioner Baird requested that the word "table" be changed to "postponed", and Commissioner Cacciatore made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Commissioner Baird requested that the minutes be shortened in the future and explained the reasoning behind the request. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Citizens to be Heard

There no citizens to be heard

- 4. Reports: Activities that Impact the Park or Access to the Park.
 - a. Guest: Mr. Swaim with the IDS Engineering Group contracted with the City of Leon Valley for the Hike & Bike Trail and to scope the work to rehabilitate Raymond Rimkus Park.

Mr. Swaim introduced himself to the Commission and briefly discussed his company, the proposed timeline for the design of the proposed Hike & Bike Trail, and options for placement of the trail through the natural area. He stated that a tentative plan would be ready for a public meeting the next month.

5. Discuss:

a. Review the current Park Rules.

Chairman Thomas noted that he had added a prohibition of after-hours lighting to the rules.

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b. Grant Programs. Items we want to consider for grants. Volunteer to work with Scott Baird in writing Grants.

Commissioner Baird discussed grant application deadlines and resident Monica Alcocer volunteered to work on grant applications with the Commission.

c. Set date for work session in the Park.

Chairman Thomas noted that the work date is scheduled for 10 am Saturday, November 16th. Leon Valley residents, Dr. Wassel and Mrs. Phyllis Beal, have donated wildflower seeds for this project. They have done this for the past 5 years, and because of this, Chairman Thomas stated he would like the City to send them a thank you letter in appreciation.

6. Commissioners' and Staff's Comments:

A general discussion was held regarding placement of a loading and unloading area at the park.

7. Announcements:

The next City of Leon Valley Park Commission Meeting will be in the City Council Chambers, at the Leon Valley City Hall on Tuesday, December 3, 2013.

8. Adjournment

Commissioner Stanley motioned to adjourn, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Cooper. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 pm.

Chairman Bert Thomas

Approved by the Park Commission on the 14th day of January, 2014.